# St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church 8618 Church Hill Drive, Lohman, Missouri 65053

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Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

On this day, Christians throughout the world, begin the great and holy week that culminates in the central celebration of our faith: the Lord's passage from death to new life celebrated in the Three Days. On Thursday, we remember the Supper Jesus gave us by which to remember him. On Friday, we remember with sorrow our Lord's death. On Easter, we celebrate his triumph over death. Today we celebrate His triumphant procession into Jerusalem.

Pastor: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Hosanna to the Son of David.

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **PEOPLE:** And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. Mercifully assist us, O Lord of our salvation that we may with joy remember and think about those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

Processional Gospel - Luke 19:28-40

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.' "So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

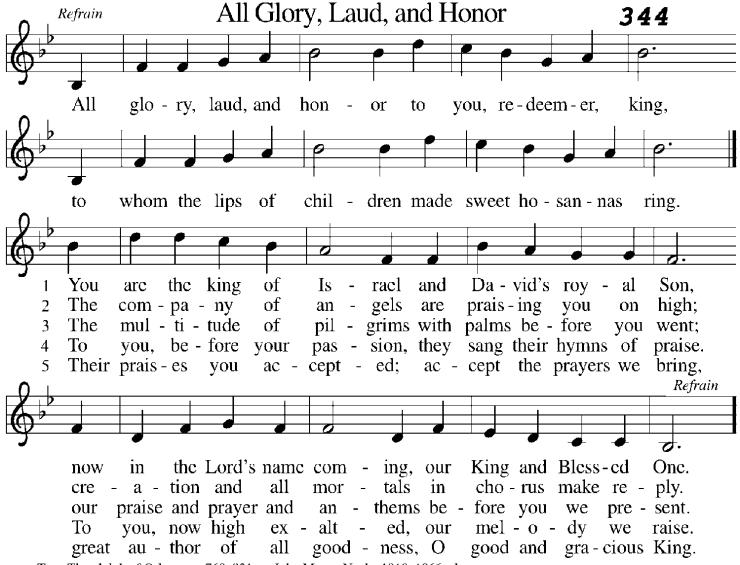
## **PEOPLE:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Pastor: We praise and thank you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have set us free through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was acclaimed Son of David and King of Kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path. We ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may hail him as our Lord and King and follow him with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen** 

Pastor: Let us go forth in peace.

## **PEOPLE:** In the name of the Lord.

## **Processional Song:**



Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760–821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635

The Holy Spirit calls us together as one people of God.

Let us remember that Jesus the Christ died on the cross for the forgiveness of our sins and was risen to give us eternal life.

# \*Confession & Forgiveness

P: In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage.

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sins before God and one another, trusting in God's endless mercy and love.

Silence for Reflection

P: Holy One,

C: we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.

P: Beloved in Christ, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God shall be saved. In Jesus, God comes to you again and again and gathers you under wings of love. In  $\pm$  Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven. God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love.

C: Amen.

# \*Sharing the Peace

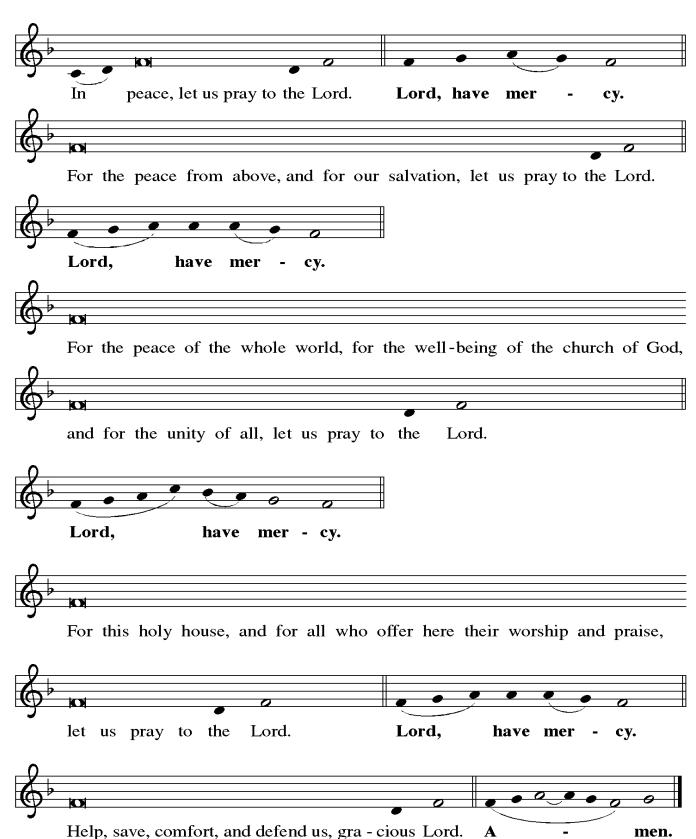
P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Greeting: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

# **Kyrie:**



## Hymn of Praise: This is the Feast



## **Prayer of the Day**

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Special Music: Hosanna, Hosanna! Choir

Children's Sermon

#### WORD

# The first reading is from Isaiah, the 50th Chapter.

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

# Psalm 31 (Read Responsively)

Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.

I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my acquaintances; when they see me in the street they avoid me.

Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot.

For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. I have said, "You are my God.

My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

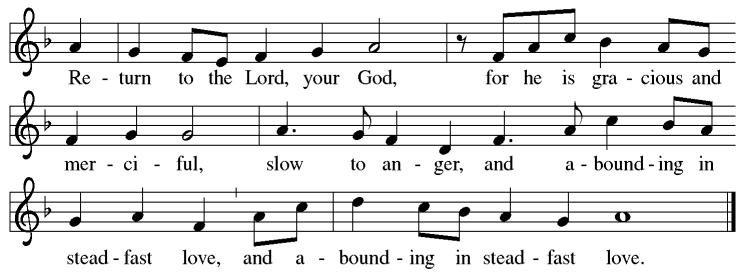
Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love."

# The second reading from Philippians, the 2nd chapter.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God** 

# \*Gospel Acclamation: Lent Return to the Lord (Please Stand)



\*The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 22<sup>nd</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Please be seated.

The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon: "Grace and Forgiveness through Christ"

Pastor David Viles

## Hymn of the Day:



# \*Apostle's Creed - Please stand.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*The Prayers of Intercession: The congregation's response to "God in your mercy." is "receive our prayer."

#### **MEAL**

**Offering:** We offer our gifts; giving back to God a little of what He has first given us. The offering is a part of our worship of God who provides for people in need by using these gifts for their sake. These are the sacrifices you give to God in response to God's gifts to you.

\*Offertory: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

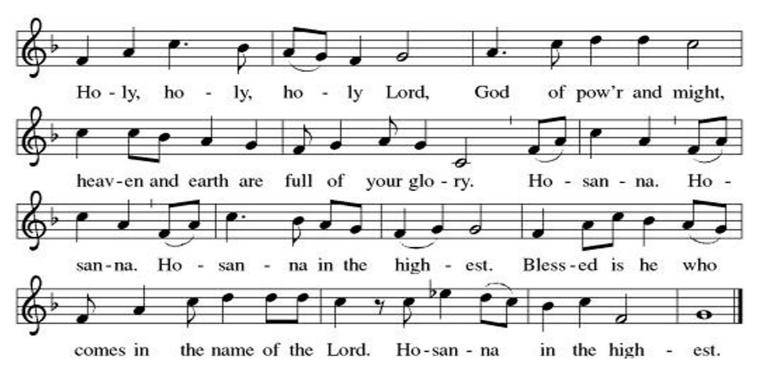
Amen.

\*Offertory Prayer: Extravagant God, you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray.

C: Amen.

## \*Great Thanksgiving

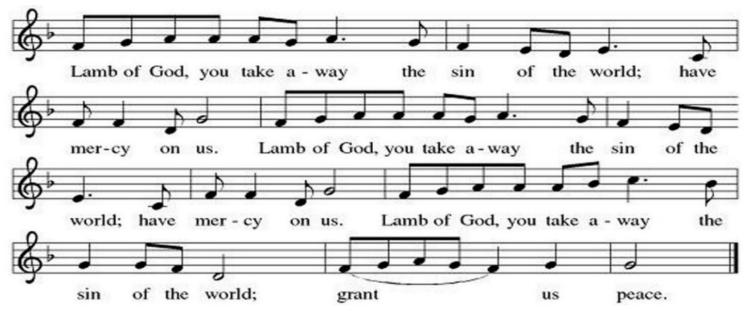
# \* Holy, Holy, Holy



# \* Words of Institution – Eucharist Prayer

\*The Lord's Prayer: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

#### Lamb of God



Distribution of the Elements

\*Blessing after the Meal

Pastor David

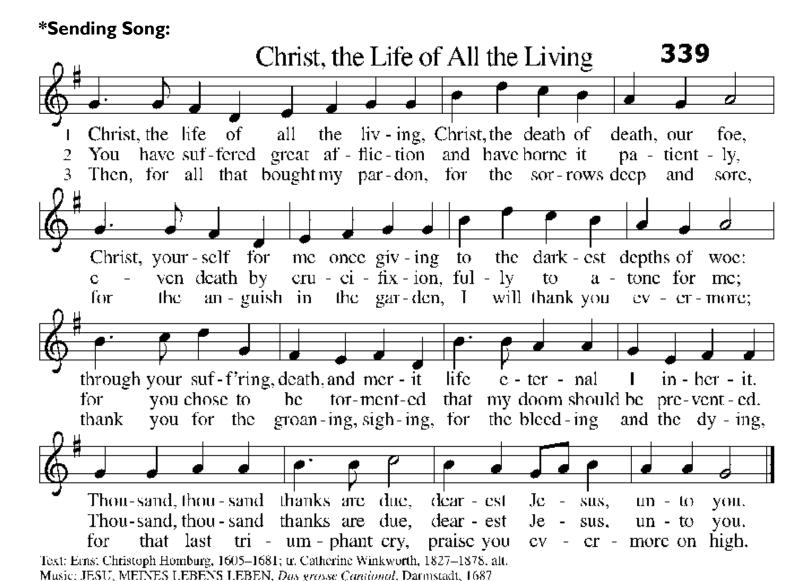
\*(544 verse I) Praise the Lord, rise up rejoicing, worship, thanks, devotion voicing; glory be to God on high! Christ, your cross and passion sharing, by this Eucharist declaring yours the final victory.

**Prayer after Communion:** Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.** 

#### **SENDING**

\* **Blessing:** God our tender parent, God the crucified one, God the reconciling Spirit, + bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.



\*Dismissal – P: Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

## C: Thanks be to God.

#### **Postlude**

Pastor David Viles **Presiding Minister** Organist / Keyboard Zola Finch Song Leader Dan Tschirgi Acolyte Morgan Schroeder Audio / Video Technician Roger Pennell Reader **Delores Vlach** Misty Schroeder Council David & Trish Russell Greeters

Communion Assistant Donald Weber

Communion ware Audrey Bunch & Rosemary Heidbreder

Altar Flowers Kathryn Linsenbardt

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Jr. Lutherans:** Thanks to all our fine bakers, planners, servers, cooks and all who helped make the spaghetti luncheon a huge success. Looks like we will see a profit of \$1,567 for the Jr. Lutherans' fund.

**Spring Clean-up**: Thanks to everyone who came out on Saturday to help with the spring cleanup of church the grounds.

**Jr. Lutherans** will meet today after church, to dye Easter eggs. Each child will take a dozen decorated eggs home with them. Lunch will be provided.

**Easter Lily orders:** Today is the last day to place your order. Give info of in honor or memory to Kathryn. Flowers will be \$10 each

**STARS** will meet for lunch on Wednesday at 11:30 am. Our menu will feature spaghetti and garlic bread, Salads and desserts are the requested side dishes. Afterwards, we will enjoy bingo. Thanks to Audrey for organizing and securing the bingo prizes. If you plan to attend, please make reservations with Rose Strobel at 573-782-4553 or 573-694-3634 by tomorrow evening.

**WELCA Lent Ingathering** – will be collecting through Good Friday, bar soap, shampoo, conditioner, body wash, lotions and body deodorants. Thanks so much. Donations are for the Samaritan Center.

**2025 Central State Synod Assembly:** will be held June 5 - 7 at Embassy Suites in Olathe, KS. Let Pastor know if you are interested in attending. Deadline to register is May 15. Church will cover all expenses (registration fee, hotel, food and milage). Reservation for hotel must be set up by May 6.

**Help flower the cross** on Easter Sunday. Bring your flowers and place them on the cross for Easter Morning services. The cross will be at the foot of the front steps as usual.

The Mid – Missouri Spring Gathering will be held on Saturday, April 26, 2025, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Cole Camp, beginning at 9:00 am with registration and refreshments. Along with the registration fee of \$5.00, there will be offering baskets for grants, in – kind offering, and a raffle. All checks should be made out to St. Paul's Lutheran WELCA, Cole Camp. Our in- kind gifts will be given to Hope 5 One Ministry, an organization dedicated to giving hope and freedom from human trafficking. Monetary gifts are preferred as they are building a facility (Hope House) to house newly rescued survivors. We will hear a message form their director. Please let Marie Scheperle know by April 20 if you plan to attend so we can let the church know how many will be attending.

Church Schedule
Sunday 9:00 am Worship
Sunday 10:15 am Adult Sunday School

Holy Week 6:00 pm Worship Maundy Thursday: April 17, 2025 Good Friday: April 18, 2025

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED**

Hymn History – Today's gathering song "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" was written in 820 by Theodulph of Orleans (south France), a bishop appointed by King Charlemagne. The bishop was known to work hard to reform the clergy, establish schools, and advance education. The hymn is based on Matthew 21: I-II to celebrate the occasion of Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Theodulph was imprisoned by King Louis in 818 after Charlamagne died for allegedly supporting a rival. While being held, Theodulph wrote our hymn, originally containing 39 verses! Although released from prison in 821, Theodulph died while attempting to resettle in Orleans. In 1851, John Mason Neale translated the hymn from Latin into English. Sources: "Then Sings My Soul" by Robert J. Morgan. Also hymnary.org

**Schedule for Online Services:** Services are at 9:00 a.m. Sunday mornings on Facebook Live. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/StPaulsChurchOnTheHill">https://www.facebook.com/StPaulsChurchOnTheHill</a>

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